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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:
RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER
APPROVE THE SENATE BILL 306 SUBMITTAL
SPECS. 6661; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 69334
(FOURTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action will authorize the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to submit the documentation needed to fulfill the requirements under Senate Bill (SB) 306 to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) related to the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center North Campus Consolidation (SB 1953) Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the Senate Bill 306 Acute Care Facilities Plan for acute care facilities only and authorize the Department of Public Works to submit all required documentation under Senate Bill 306 to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Public Works to submit all documentation required by OSHPD for the SB 306 extension to the original SB 1953 deadline.

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In June 2009, your Board approved and authorized Public Works to submit an application to OSHPD to extend the SB 1953 seismic retrofit compliance deadline from January 1, 2013, to January 1, 2020, for the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (RLANRC) as allowed under SB 306. The application was submitted, and on June 30, 2009, OSHPD approved the application.

To maintain the extension under SB 306, the County must submit the following documentation to OSHPD by January 1, 2010: a Board-approved Acute Care Facilities Plan for all acute care rehabilitation buildings on the north campus, a preliminary design for all acute care rehabilitation buildings, the number of beds available for acute care rehabilitation, a schedule for plan submission and construction, and the estimated cost of construction.

The attached SB 306 Acute Care Facilities Plan reflects the consolidation of the acute care rehabilitation services into new or renovated facilities. This consolidation is part of the overall proposed North Campus Consolidation Project previously approved by your Board in April 2006. The recommended consolidation of inpatient rehabilitation services at RLANRC into the Jacqueline Perry Institute (JPI) building entails the renovation of 24,000 square feet of the existing 174,677-square-foot JPI building and construction of a new 56,000-square-foot addition on the north side of the existing building. The submittal package outlines the reduction of licensed hospital beds thus reducing the required footprint of the new and renovated facilities.

Construction of the new annex and renovation of the existing JPI facility will meet all SB 1953 seismic requirements and provide a licensed 162-bed facility that can support the current average daily census of 130 rehabilitation patients.

Outpatient and Acute Care Medical/Surgical Beds

We are working with the Health Department and the hospital to quantify space requirements for its administrative and outpatient functions. Currently, the hospital supports approximately 75,000 outpatient visits per year. We are also studying the capital options for overflow medical-surgical beds at all County hospitals per your Board motion of October 20, 2009 and as detailed in our December 4, 2009, memo to your Board. Currently, an average of 50 such beds are occupied at RLANRC. We will return to your Board with recommendations regarding these additional space requirements upon completion of our analysis.

Sustainable Design Program

Sustainable design features will be detailed in a future Board letter that will request your Board's approval of design services in accordance with your Board's approved capital projects process.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Children, Family and Adult Well-Being (Goal 2) by investing in public health center infrastructure to enhance the safety of the patients and staff.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Approval of the recommended action has no fiscal impact.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Provisions in SB 306 require that the County submit the following documents to OSHPD by January 1, 2010.

- Acute Care Facilities Plan indicating seismic safety compliance
- Preliminary design for new acute care buildings
- Number of beds available for acute care rehabilitation
- Schedule for plan submission and construction
- Estimated cost for construction
- Meeting minutes indicating your Board's approval, as the governing body of the hospital, for the acute care facilities plan

The following milestones must also be met in order to have full compliance with SB 306:

- January 1, 2013 – Submit building plans to OSHPD
- January 1, 2015 – Obtain building permit and begin construction
- July 1, 2015 – Submit construction schedule to OSHPD

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed activity is not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is an activity that is excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The proposed actions are an

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administrative activity of the government that will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment.

We will return to your Board for approval of the appropriate environmental documentation to approve any proposed project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable.

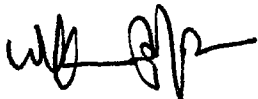
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES OR PROJECTS

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division; Department of Public Works, Project Management Division II; and the Department of Health Services.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments

- c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
- Acting County Counsel
- Auditor-Controller
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